

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, lines 10-13 with the following:

This application is related to application Serial No. ~~XXXX~~ 10/761,067, titled "Mobile-Originated Reconnection of Dropped Wireless Calls," filed concurrently with the present application, assigned to the assignee of the present invention and incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 23 and ending on page 2, line 5 with the following:

Occasionally, mobile units can encounter periodic service interruption(s) during a call, for example, upon entering a tunnel or reaching a fringe RF coverage area or due to a handoff error, causing the mobile unit to become dropped (at least temporarily) from the call. In such case, network-initiated reconnect attempts are known whereby the MSC attempts to page the mobile unit to find its location, reconnect the mobile unit and preserve the call. However, network-initiated reconnects can be wasteful in terms of network resources and bandwidth, most particularly when there are multiple dropped calls and hence multiple pages flooding the network. An alternative manner of reconnect, called a mobile-originated reconnect, is disclosed in related patent application ~~XXXX~~ 10/761,067. In the mobile-originated reconnect, the mobile unit itself initiates reconnect of a call by sending a mobile-originated reconnect (MORC) message to the network. After receiving the MORC message, the network attempts to identify a suspended communication session involving the mobile unit and, if a suspended session is so identified within a designated time, the network performs reconnection of the call. In such manner, the suspended session becomes reconnected without relying on network paging.